



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 118

January Session, 2007

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AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSING OF AUCTIONEERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) (a) On and after the
2 effective date of regulations adopted under this section, no person
3 shall expose for sale by auction any goods or articles, except
4 provisions, charcoal, wood, the products of a farm and secondhand
5 household furniture without a license issued by the Department of
6 Consumer Protection. Applications for such license shall be made to
7 the department on forms provided by it, and shall be accompanied by
8 a fee of one hundred dollars, and shall contain such information
9 regarding the applicant's qualifications as the department may require
10 in regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section. The
11 commissioner may issue a license under this section to any person who
12 is licensed in another state under a law which provides standards
13 which are equal to or higher than those of Connecticut and is not
14 subject to any unresolved complaints or pending disciplinary actions.
15 Licenses issued pursuant to this section shall be renewed annually
16 upon payment of a fee of five hundred dollars.

17 (b) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall adopt
18 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the
19 general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

20 (c) This section shall not apply to any auctioneer who conducts or
 21 contracts with the state to conduct an auction in accordance with any
 22 court order, under the provisions of section 54-36b or 54-36c of the
 23 general statutes.

24 (d) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person with
 25 a auction license that is valid on or after the effective date of this
 26 section.

27 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) The provisions of section 1
 28 of this act shall not apply to any blind person who resides in the state
 29 and manufactures by hand goods, wares and other merchandise for
 30 sale.

31 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) The provisions of section 1
 32 of this act shall not apply to sales by auction conducted by a
 33 noncommercial educational broadcasting facility or a nonprofit
 34 organization.

35 Sec. 4. Section 54-36d of the general statutes is repealed and the
 36 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

37 Sections [21-1,] 54-36a, 54-36b, [and] 54-36c and section 1 of this act,
 38 shall not be applicable to the proceedings taken pursuant to chapters
 39 214, 220 and 490.

40 Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) Any person who knowingly,
 41 wilfully or intentionally violates any provision of section 1 of this act
 42 shall be fined not more than two hundred fifty dollars.

43 Sec. 6. Sections 21-1, 21-2, 21-5 and 21-5a of the general statutes are
 44 repealed. (*Effective October 1, 2007*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2007	New section
Sec. 2	October 1, 2007	New section

Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	54-36d
Sec. 5	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 6	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	Repealer section

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